

HOUSE BILL 3273

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 2, Part 1, relative to disasters and emergencies.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-2-110(1)(B), is amended by designating the first two sentences as subdivision (i) and by designating the remainder of the language as subdivision (ii).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-2-110(1)(B)(i), is further amended by deleting the first two sentences and by substituting instead the following language:

(i)

(a) Each county emergency management agency created and established pursuant to this chapter shall have a director who shall be appointed and have the director's annual salary fixed by the local governing body. The minimum qualifications for the local emergency management director are:

(1) Possession of a valid Tennessee driver's license;

(2)

(A) A four (4) year college degree; or

(B) A two (2) year college associate degree and two (2) years' experience in an emergency management related field; or

(C) Four (4) years' experience in an emergency management related field.

Additional qualifications shall be as determined by the local governing body.

(b) The local emergency management director shall be responsible for the development and implementation of all activities relating to emergency management

within the county and is further responsible for establishing emergency management standards within the county. Such standards include, but are not limited to, the development and implementation of activities which support the National Incident Management System (NIMS) to mitigate, prepare for, respond to and recover from major emergencies, terrorist events and disaster.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.